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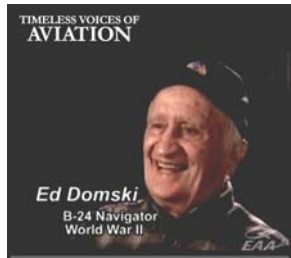
UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

By John Roach

The **April 12** Chapter meeting will feature the recently released EAA DVD showing highlights of AirVenture 2007. Also on the DVD are some interesting short features that highlight other EAA activities.

For the **May 10** Chapter meeting, we hope to visit "Desert Rat", the B-17 being restored in Marengo. Timing of this visit will be announced as soon as the arrangements are finalized. (See next article – Ed.)

For the **June 14** Meeting, we have invited Ed Domski, Greg's dad, to visit with us and talk a little about his experiences as a navigator flying B-24s in Europe during WWII. We hope to have a copy of Ed's Timeless Voices interview to play. (See March 2008 issue – Ed) Following the meeting, we'll be flying Young Eagles



We'll be taking names for our scheduled Work Weekends at Oshkosh at the April meeting. If you can't make the meeting to sign up, contact planejohn@aol.com to get your name on the list.

B-17 RESTORATION FIELD TRIP

For several years we've trekked to Marengo in March to be updated on Mike Kellner's B-17-E restoration project. It seems we always picked the worst day of the winter; sub zero temperatures and a gale blowing. This year the membership voted to move the trip to May. For a complete history and many restoration pictures visit this web site:

<http://www.aerovintage.com/rat-1.htm>



Two more fuselage sections are mated; Sep. 2007

TIS THE SEASON

By John Roach

Ahhh, springtime. The season when one's thoughts turn to – LET'S GO FLYING!!!

After a snowy, bitter winter, it's nice to look forward to cranking up an airplane and heading out for a breakfast or lunch to celebrate the changing seasons. This year there will be many occasions to do just that. Especially with the fourteen stops scheduled for the Midwest EAA Chapter's Poker Run, trips to Oshkosh for Work Weekends or AirVenture, and the three Young Eagles Days scheduled by EAA 932.

But, how many of us have recently flown? Given the winter weather, probably very few. As prudent pilots, what's your plan for getting back in the air? First of all, are you really current to carry passengers? Have you logged the required take offs and landings? Do you know when your next flight review will be required? Do you have current charts for your proposed flight? Simple questions that are easy to answer if you take the time to ask them.

What about your aircraft? A thorough preflight is especially important for the season's first few flights. Perhaps getting out the check list and reviewing it as you preflight will help remove some of the winter's rust. As the season warms, all kinds of birds and critters are looking for new homes. And, a first flight is no time to skimp on the run up.

To help mentally prepare for the flying season, there's a few things that always should be considered. First off is the possibility of an hour or so of time with an instructor or another pilot with a lot of experience in the type of plane you're flying. I've learned a lot by flying with pilots who have much more experience than I have. Good habits are as easy to build as bad ones. Another approach would be to head for a Safety Seminar. Visit www.faasafety.gov for a good list of upcoming seminars in the area. While there, you can also sign up to be automatically notified by email of local seminars. Most of the seminars will provide credit toward the new Wings – Pilot proficiency Program.

And, just remember, pointy end forward and dirty side down. Have a safe flight.



CHECK OUR CHAPTER WEB SITE

We continue to update and improve the Chapter web site: www.eaa932.org . Check out the new home page with it's event calendar which you can consult for the latest on EAA 932 activities. Back issues of the Galt Traffic will also be found there.



Steve Mark, Galt Airport regular and EAA 932 member is a serious photographer. His chosen medium is black and white from 4"X5" negatives – think Ansel Adams – Steve follows closely in his footsteps.

For the next couple of months, Steve will be doing photo studies at Galt Airport. He wants to photograph Galt regulars and their aircraft. This is not a commercial operation – it is Steve's passion and he does it for his personal satisfaction.

Steve takes great pains when setting up a shot. He draws sketches of planned layouts ahead of time, then positions his subject(s) and takes a B&W Poloroid "proof shot". If he's satisfied with the proof, he goes ahead shooting the negative film plates. The photo below is a proof of his night shoot March 8, "End of day de-briefing".

Steve will be shooting at Galt on weekends for the next couple of months. If you would like to be included in his study, contact him at:
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2008 CHAPTER CALENDAR

Check www.eaa932.org for latest updates

♣♥♦♦ LINK TO POKER RUN INFO

<http://web.mac.com/chapter60/poker/Home.html>

APR 8 – 13 SUN 'N' FUN <http://www.sun-n-fun.org/content/>
APR 12 MEETING 10 AM
MAY 10 – ANNUAL FIELD TRIP TO B-17 PROJECT 10 AM
MAY 10 – 11 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Racine (RAC)
MAY 16 – 18 OSH WORK WEEKEND
MAY 17 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Beloit (44C)
MAY 24 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Viroqua, WI (Y51)
JUN 1 VINTAGE AIRCRAFT FLY-IN PICNIC – GALT
JUN 7 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Wautoma (Y50)
JUN 14 – MEETING 10 AM; **YOUNG EAGLES** 11 – 3 PM
JUN 15 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Palmyra (88C)
JUN 21 – 22 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Big Foot (7V3)
JUN 21 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Rockford (Cottonwood – 1C8)
JUN 27 – 29 – OSH WORK WEEKEND
JUL 13 ♣♥♦♦ GALT (10C) Poker Run and PANCAKE BREAKFAST – 7:30 – NOON YOUNG EAGLE FLIGHTS 10 – 2 PM
JUL 28 – AUG 3 – OSH; AIRVENTURE 2008
<http://www.airventure.org/>
AUG 9 – 10 – FLYERS & TIRES <http://galtfestivals.com/>
AUG 17 – END OF SUMMER PICNIC – GALT
AUG 17 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Brookfield (02C)
AUG 24 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Cottage Grove (Madison) (87Y)
SEP 7 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run Dubuque (DBQ)
SEP 13 – MEETING 10 AM; **YOUNG EAGLES** 11 -3 PM
SEP 13 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Oshkosh (OSH)
OCT 4 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Richland Center (93C)
OCT 11 – MEETING 10 AM; **CHILIFEST** 5:30 – ??
OCT 12 ♣♥♦♦ Poker Run – Palmyra (88C) GAME DAY
NOV 8 – MEETING 10 AM
DEC 13 – MEETING 10 AM

PILOT ALERTS – EVENTS – FLY-INS

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AOPA: www.aopa.org

EAA: www.eaa.org

FAA: www.faa.gov

EAA 932: www.eaa932.org

IL DOT: www.dot.state.il.us/aero/index.html

WI DOT: www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/air/genral.html

GALT AIRPORT EVENTS: www.galtfestivals.com

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EAA 932 Meetings 2nd Saturdays @ 10 AM

Young Eagles Jun 14 & Jul 13 or by appt. any time.
Contact any Chapter officer or director (box below)

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